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## Mr. Wouw honored for his love and loyalty to Aruba



Recently, Mr. C.E.M.A. van de Wouw was honored as Distinguished Visitor of Aruba. Mr. Wouw hails from Osdorp, Holland and has been visiting the island for 14 consecutive years. He had visited different tourist destinations and expressed that Aruba is like his second home, that is why he keeps coming back year after year. He likes our nice weather, the safety and the friendly people of our island. During a small ceremony held on his behalf, Rayon Koolman, in name of the Aruba Tourism Authority, presented Mr. Wouw a handsome certificate as a thank you gesture for his loyalty to Aruba. Also present was Divi Tamarijn associate Francis Riderstap.

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## Tonight during the Piano Festival: A night of German music



The well acclaimed Piano festival is reaching its end and tonight the show will be dedicated to German music.

The event starts at 4:00 p.m. at the Cas di Cultura with a Crescendo Piano Competition. Six finalists will compete in the final round.

The festival continues at 8:00 p.m. with German music comprising pieces of Schubert – Variations on “Trocke Blumen” op 160, Brahms-Violin

Sonata op. 108, Bach - Transcriptions and Brahms – Piano Quartet op. 25. Invited guests are Alessio Bax on piano, Horacio Contreras on the cello and Mirjam Tschopp on the viola.

Music lovers, don't miss this interesting night of good music by piano, violin and cello.

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## Vatican will finance adult stem cell research

ROME, Italy (AP) — The Vatican will finance new research into the potential use of adult stem cells in the treatment of intestinal and possibly other diseases, officials announced yesterday.

The project is at a very preliminary phase and it will be years before any clinical treatment might be available, the officials said.

Cardinal Renato Martino said the Vatican fully supports the project because it does not involve embryonic stem cells.

He said he expected the Vatican to help finance the project through its Rome hospital, Bambin Gesù, but the exact amount must still be worked out in future meetings with the University of Maryland's School of Medicine, the project's leaders.

An initial announcement by the university said the Vatican had already agreed to donate euro2 million (\$2.7 million) to the research.

The church is opposed to embryonic stem cell research because it involves the destruction of embryos, but it supports

the use of adult stem cells.

In 2007, Pope Benedict XVI said adult stem cell research respects human life, which according to church teachings begins at conception.

The Vatican has drawn criticism for its opposition to embryonic stem cell research. But the Vatican insists there are scientifically viable alternatives and the efforts of the scientific community should go in that direction. Financing this project is part of those efforts.

But while embryonic stem cells are especially prized for their pluripotency — meaning they can morph into any type of cell in the body — adult stem cells are not as pluripotent. For that reason, embryonic stem cells are considered to have more potential for the treatment of diseases such as Alzheimer's, diabetes and Parkinson's.

Researchers involved in the Vatican-financed project say they want to assess the potential of intestinal stem cells — a relatively new field — for therapeutic use.

"We want to harvest them, we want to isolate them, we

want to make them grow outside our body and see if they are pluripotent," said Alessio Fasano, the scientist leading the project and the director of the University of Maryland's Center for Celiac Research.

"If we reach that phase, if we are able to achieve that goal, then our next step is to eventually move to clinical application," Fasano told the AP before yesterday's announcement.

Intestinal stem cells have certain features that makes them appealing for this kind of research, Fasano said.

They are very active cells — the intestine replenishes all its cells every few days — and they are intrinsically flexible — already programmed to generate all the various kinds of cells such as mucus cells or epithelial cells present in the highly complex organ. Furthermore, harvesting them can be done through a routine procedure like endoscopy, Fasano noted.

Fasano said his team hopes to have a first answer on the feasibility of the project within the next two to three years.

## Official: Abuse victims receive threats in Brazil

BRASILIA, Brazil (AP) — A Brazilian official says that three former altar boys allegedly sexually abused by a Roman Catholic priest have received threats and are under police protection.

An adviser to the Senate pedophilia commission says the three were threatened after they denounced Monsignor Luiz Marques Barbosa for allegedly molesting former altar boys in northeastern Alagoas state.

Renato Paoliello said yesterday that a priest collaborating with authorities is also receiving police protection after being threatened. Paoliello did not specify what kind of threats the four received.

Police are investigating the allegations against Barbosa, who is under house arrest.

A video allegedly showing Barbosa abusing one of the altar boys was broadcast on television last month.

## Ex-Miss Universe denies link to alleged drug capo

MEXICO CITY, Mexico (AP) — Former Miss Universe Alicia Machado is denying reports that a suspected major drug trafficker fathered her daughter.

The Venezuelan beauty queen who was crowned Miss Universe in 1996 says in a statement issued yesterday that the father of her child is a "respected businessman" — and not alleged capo Jose Gerardo Alvarez Vazquez.

Machado was responding to local media reports saying she was had a relationship with Alvarez Vazquez, who was arrested this week in a shootout Wednesday in the outskirts of Mexico City. She denies any link with him.

Authorities say he is responsible for increasing violence in a cartel turf battle in states near the capital. U.S. authorities hope to put him on trial there.

## NY man pleads guilty in plot to bomb NYC subway

NEW YORK (AP) — A New York man said yesterday that a plan to attack the city subway system was ordered by al-Qaida leaders two years ago while he was in Pakistan with a friend, a former airport shuttle driver who has since admitted to the plot.

Zarein Ahmedzay, 25, pleaded guilty in federal court in Brooklyn to charges including conspiracy to use weapons of mass destruction in the foiled New York City subway bomb plot from fall 2009.

He said he admitted plotter Najibullah Zazi and a third, unidentified man met with the

leaders in Pakistan in 2008, where they offered to join the Taliban and fight U.S. forces in Afghanistan.

"They told us we would be more useful if we returned to New York City ... to conduct operations," he said. Asked by the judge what kind of operations, he responded, "Suicide-bombing operations."

He added: "I personally believed that conducting an operation in the United States would be the best way to end the war," he said.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Geoffrey Knox identified the leaders as senior al-Qaida op-

eratives Saleh al-Somali and Rashid Rauf, who were both killed in Pakistan. The U.S. Justice Department yesterday described al-Somali as the head of international operations for al-Qaida.

Al-Somali was killed in a drone strike in December. Rauf, a British militant linked to a jetliner bomb plot, was also killed in a predator strike in November 2008.

Knox said Ahmedzay met with a third senior al-Qaida operative in a training camp in northern Waziristan in Pakistan. He has not been identified.

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## Cocaine hidden in in-flight meals

AMSTERDAM/KRALENDIJK -- Dutch police have detained 20 people for smuggling cocaine in containers for in-flight meals and waste on planes flying between the Dutch Antilles and the Netherlands, police said.

"Twenty suspects have been arrested over the last four months in the Netherlands and

Bonaire," an island territory of the Netherlands Antilles, Schiphol airport spokesman Robert van Kapel said.

The last two suspects were arrested on Tuesday.

Eleven of the 20 suspects worked for a Schiphol-based company catering for airlines.

Investigators found that the cocaine was hidden in food

and waste containers on Netherlands-bound planes.

Police seized more than 50 kilograms (110 pounds) of cocaine, with a street value of €2 million and tens of thousands of euros in cash during 11 searches in the Netherlands.

Twelve of the suspects are Dutch nationals, aged 25 to 49, the spokesman said but did not

If you want to study yourself -- look into the hearts of other people. If you want to study other people -- look into your own heart.

*Friedrich von Schiller*

## Huge demand for a repeat of the documentary "Aruba su Secretonan Natural"

OTRNJESTAD -- There is a huge demand for a repeat of the well acclaimed documentary "Aruba su Secretonan Natural" -- Aruba's Secrets of Nature. Even the Dutch and Latino community joined in the appeal, they all want the opportunity to see this interesting documentary, where Aruba's hidden and spectacular nature is brought into the light.

The documentary made such an impression on the community that more and more people are calling Fundacion E Brug, the foundation who made the release of this documentary possible, for a re-

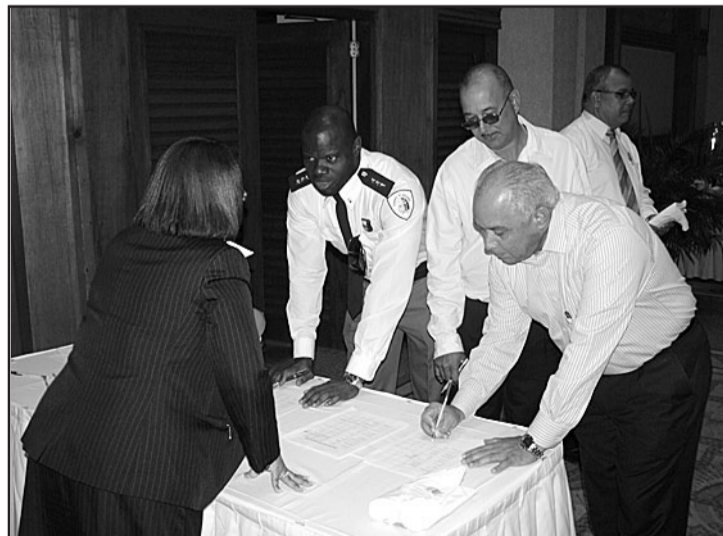
peat. They even asked why a foreign movie is running for weeks and one that is of Aruba not.

Fundacion E brug already explained that there are plans in the making to make a DVD of the documentary, only for the local public. The DVD is almost ready and will be released in December. Narration will be in English with Spanish subtitles.

The foundation will talk with the Cultural Center to see if there is some free space available or cancellations of other events. If that is the case, the foundation will immediately advise the community.

## Well attended Kick-off session of the Airport Total Quality Management Program 2010.

Over 120 participants welcomed this initiative and were very committed to work with the program.



More than 120 participants, key representatives of all the stakeholders at the airport attended the kick-off session of the Airport Total Quality Management Program 2010 which was held in the Renaissance

Convention Center on Tuesday, April 20.

During this 2 hour kick-off session, the Quality Management Program was introduced and offered to the Airport Community. Private and public

sector managers of the Airport Community were invited and given a brief explanation of the program.

Presentations were given by Mrs. Sanju Luidens-Daryanani, Senior Tourism Advisor of the Minister of Tourism, Mrs. Joyce Bartels-Daal and Mrs. Helen Guda of Aruba Learning and Mr. Peter Steinmetz, Managing Director of Aruba Airport Authority (AAA) N.V.

The program will start in May 2010 and is aimed to enhance the awareness of the airport employees -both in the private and public sector- of their role as welcome and farewell ambassadors. The training will focus on the right attitude towards the airport visitors, tourists and locals alike: Courtesy Attentive Responsive



and Explain ("CARE"). All speakers emphasized that the airport employees should give the tourists a lasting positive impression of the island and that in enhancing the airport product partnering, cooperation and the interdependency of all stakeholders will be key elements..

"We of AAA are more than happy to include all our partners in this program, as together we are one airport working for the benefit of one island, Aruba," said Peter Steinmetz, Managing Director

of AAA N.V. "The kick-off session is just a small taste of what's to come in the near future. As we learned in the kick-off session: We work together because we care!"

The airport community consists of over 1200 dedicated employees of among others the Aruba Airport Authority, Immigration, Customs, Civil Aviation, retail and food and beverage concessionaires and other service providers who will all be trained in this program in the coming months.

# A return to romance and Aruba for Megan and Daniel Bowers



Ten years ago, Megan and Daniel Bowers spent their honeymoon on Aruba; a generous wedding gift from a loving family member. After a five-year romance that started out "simply as friends," they tied the knot on April 21, 2002, and began a blissful life together. The week in Aruba was a perfect start, and they were so impressed with the island and their accommodations, the Radisson Resort, Spa & Casino, they made a vow to return to the island and the same resort for their tenth anniversary; a vow they kept.

Before returning to Aruba to celebrate this landmark anniversary, Megan had the idea of performing a renewal of vows on Eagle Beach, as the couple would be reliving a particularly special memory of watching the sunset from its pristine shores. However, she wanted to surprise Daniel, so after discovering island photographer Diane Keijzer online, she recruited her to not only record the event, but made her a co-conspirator.

When the big day rolled around, they started out with what Daniel thought was a simple photo shoot by the same waterfall at the Radisson they found delightful ten years ago, recreating a favorite souvenir shot from their honeymoon.

A quick trip to Aruba's famous fofoti tree on Eagle Beach followed, where came upon a tall gentleman who handed Daniel an elegant envelope. The friendly islander just happened to be Diane Keijzer's husband, Kees, an ordained minister of the Universal Life Church, and the envelope contained an invitation to be present at a renewal of vows at 6:00 p.m. at Eagle Beach, the exact time and place where Daniel found himself when it was delivered.

Kees performed a touching ceremony personalized by information Megan had shared with the Keijzers in preparation for the special day. While listening to Kees, Megan and Daniel laughed, hugged and on more than one occasion, cast loving, glistening eyes upon each other as

the evening sky became alight with another spectacular Aruban sunset. They completed this special remembrance of their first visit, and their 10th anniversary celebration with another surprise for Daniel, a roman-

tic dinner at Passions on the Beach, which is adjacent to Aruba's famous scenic spot.

Megan and Daniel report that Aruba is even better the second time around, and expect this to be the first of many return visits. The staff

of THE MORNING NEWS, along with Kees and Diane Keijzer, offer congratulations to the Bowers on their anniversary celebration of a profound love, may islanders share many more with you!

**Photos by Diane Keijzer**



# The Queen's hosts a special lunch for the Compa Nanzi crew



Group with Mirto Lacle and Varella Innocencia



Rianne Haastries the Keshi Yena, R: Camille also tries an Aruban specialty



Thumbs up for the Cabrito Stoba



Guineta goes for the fresh fish

their masters and the customs of each location affected the Nanzi legends, even to the point of the principal character acquiring a variation of the name, depending on the region.

During their days on the island, the six visiting lecturers were treated to a special taste of authentic Aruban cooking at The Queen's Restaurant located just next to the cruise terminal in Oranjestad. Owner Varella Innocencia was proud to host this special luncheon and showcase the culinary wizardry of her mother and executive chef of The Queen's, Luisa.

Four of those present were noted Compa Nanzi special-

ists from Curaçao; Guineta de Palm, Herman "Maunchi" Pieters, Chairman of the Fundashon Grupo Nanzi, Blanca Amariage, and Sheila Payne, actress and storyteller with the Luna Blau Theater. Coming from the region, Sheila and Blanca were very pleased to discover that Carbrito Stoba - Young Goat Stew-was on the menu, and declared it "absolutely perfect," particularly accompanied by Moro, the classic side dish of red beans and rice.

Camille Selvon Abrahams from Trinidad and Tobago and Riane de Haas Bledoe, Deputy Program Manager of Culture for Caricom, out of Guyana, were new to a number of the traditional dishes of this region of the Caribbean, and they opted for one of the house specialties, Keshi Yena-Filled Cheese, a tasty chicken stew encased in a thick layer of gouda cheese.

Festival organizer Mirto Lacle expressed his deep thanks to Varella for her generous invitation to the visiting educators and lecturers, allowing them to sample true Aruban cuisine and hospitality at its best!

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One Wednesday and Thursday, April 21 and 22, Aruba's National Library and the Instituto Pedagogico Aruba, IPA, the national teacher training facility, conducted special programs dedicated to the legends of Compa Nanzi, the mischievous spider that is an icon of the Caribbean culture.

Noted educators that are part of the movement to stimulate Caribbean children to maintain their cultural roots traveled to Aruba to recite stories and discuss the social repercussions of island children losing touch with this very basic element of traditions. The stories were brought to the region by the slaves and as these displaced Africans settled in various sections of the New World, the dominate languages of

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## Science/Tech.

### Skyonic to capture carbon from coal in baking soda

Rather than pump smoke-stack gases underground to keep them out of the air, Skyonic wants to turn them into something else and sell them.

The Austin, Texas-based company this week started a pilot project of converting flue gases from a cement factory into industrial chemicals, including baking soda. This SkyMine project, located at in San Antonio, Texas, will test the company's "carbon mineralization" process, with the goal of starting construction of a commercial-scale facility by the third quarter of this year, according to Skyonic founder and CEO Joe Jones.

Carbon capture and storage often refers to separating carbon dioxide gases from coal power plant pollution and then pumping the CO<sub>2</sub> into underground geological formations. Aided by federal research funding, the technology is being tested in the U.S., which gets about half of its electricity generation from burning coal.

Skyonic, which received \$3 million in research funding from the Department of Energy, is treating carbon dioxide as an ingredient rather than a waste product.

At the San Antonio project, flue gases from burning coal will be mixed with water and heat and passed through a membrane to separate hydrogen and chlorine gas, explained Jones. That step also isolates sodium hydroxide, or caustic soda, which is combined with carbon dioxide gas. That mixture is then filtered to produce sodium bi-

carbonate, he said.

In all, the SkyMine project will combine three processes, something that hasn't been done before, Jones said. It's designed to use the heat and extract water from the flue gases, while scrubbing out air pollutants, including mercury, that cause acid rain.

This pilot project will take 75,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide and, by mixing with caustic soda, will produce

143,000 metric tons of baking soda, Jones said.

If it works, the company will be able to capture 96 percent of the carbon dioxide and most of the air pollutants from the cement plant while producing industrial chemicals that it can sell. Part of the challenge for the technology is running the process in a way that's commercially viable and doesn't use a great deal of water and energy.

### Microsoft Office 2010 arrives May 12

Chances are, you're still using Office 2003 or earlier, but get ready for the next gen: Microsoft Office 2010 is coming, and sooner than you might think.

ZDNet reported that the software was released to manufacturing last week (RTM, in computer-speak), which means that it's now being frantically pressed to discs in Chinese sweatshops so that it can be on Best Buy and Office Depot shelves in time for Memorial Day.

What's the horoscope for Office 2010? (A Taurus, by the way.) Will it be a hit?

Microsoft thinks so, noting that three times as many people beta-tested the Office 2010 suite as previewed Office 2007 — a launch that was plagued with bad juju because it was tied in with the launch of Microsoft Windows Vista.

Office 2007 also introduced a new and wildly unpopular file format for native storage. Incompatible with older versions of Office,

users of prior versions of the suite had to download and install a bulky converter pack to read the Office 2007 files. Most users eventually gave up and simply started saving files in the older format so they could communicate with their colleagues without getting an earful about it.

Highlights include new search features, a co-authoring tool that lets multiple users edit a document simultaneously, more online features letting you find your documents using any Web browser, new diagramming and charting features, language translation, and numerous cosmetic changes. Most of the Office suite now supports much larger file sizes and bigger data stores, reflecting the increasing amount of data we have to contend with on a daily basis.

Businesses with volume licensing agreements will be able to get Office 2010 early, starting Tuesday (April 27). Retail customers will have to pay \$150 (Home & Student Edition) to \$500 (Professional Edition) for the boxed version of the software.

### Microsoft 'Xbox TV' Channel in the Offing?

The PlayStation may have Major League Baseball, but the Xbox 360 could soon land its very own television channel, reports Bloomberg. No, not something agnostic like G4TV or another option in local cable packages, but something exclusive to the Xbox 360 itself.

It seems former Fox Entertainment Group CEO Peter Chernin chatted with Microsoft in April about creating a new TV-like subscriber-service, going so far as to suggest hiking Xbox LIVE fees a buck or two monthly to offset programming costs (Microsoft's premium level LIVE service costs \$50 a year currently). Bloomberg notes the channel

would probably offer "reruns and original shows" in an effort to get viewers to pay for web-delivered films and TV shows.

The pitch appears to have originated with Chernin, and the ball is now apparently in Microsoft's court. Chertin's also the guy who pitched the idea of an Xbox 360-based presence to late night comedian Conan O'Brien. O'Brien surprised everyone by side-stepping Fox and opting instead for cable-based network TBS.

What do you think? Would you pay \$1 or \$2 a month on top of \$50 a year for the option to watch reruns and original programs through your Xbox 360?



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### Scientist says Arctic getting colder

MOSCOW -- A Russian scientist says the Arctic may be getting colder, not warmer, which would hamper the international race to discover new mineral fields.

An Arctic cold snap that began in 1998 could last for years, freezing the northern marine passage and making it impassable without icebreaking ships, said Oleg Pokrovsky of the Voeikov Main Geophysical Observatory.

"I think the development of the shelf will face large

problems," Pokrovsky said Thursday at a seminar on research in the Polar regions.

Scientists who believe the climate is warming may have been misled by data from U.S. meteorological stations located in urban areas, where dense microclimates creates higher temperatures, RIA Novosti quoted Pokrovsky as saying.

"Politicians who placed their bets on global warming may lose the pot," Pokrovsky said.

### Tablets, Smartphones Reportedly Coming from Dell

Dell is preparing to make a big splash in mobile devices, if even a few of the most recently leaked reports are accurate. The reports indicate a high-end Windows Phone 7 smartphone, several smartphones based on the open-source Android operating system, and two Android tablets.

According to information leaked to technology site Engadget, the Windows Phone 7-based Lightning is a portrait slider, meaning the keyboard slides out from the bottom of the rectangle, not from the more customary side. It reportedly is built around a one-GHz Snap-

dragon processor and has a high-resolution WVGA 4.1-inch OLED screen, AT&T and T-Mobile 3G, a five-megapixel autofocus camera, 512MB of RAM with 1GB of flash memory, and an 8GB MicroSD card.

Where There's Lightning, There's Thunder

The Lightning is attracting attention as one of the slickest smartphones using the new Windows Phone 7 operating system. The model also includes GPS, an accelerometer, a compass, FM radio, and, notably unlike Apple's iPhone, support for Adobe's ubiquitous Flash technology.

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## HEALTH

## Knee Problems and Injuries

Most people have had a minor knee problem at one time or another. Most of the time our body movements do not cause problems, but it's not surprising that symptoms develop from everyday wear and tear, overuse, or injury. Knee problems and injuries most often occur during sports or recreational activities, work-related tasks, or home projects.

The knee is the largest joint in the body. The upper and lower bones of the knee are separated by two discs (menisci). The upper leg bone (femur) and the lower leg bones (tibia and fibula) are connected by ligaments, tendons, and muscles. The surface of the bones inside the knee joint is covered by articular cartilage, which absorbs shock and provides a smooth, gliding surface for joint movement. See an illustration of the structures of the knee.

Although a knee problem is often caused by an injury to one or more of these structures, it may have another cause. Some people are more likely to develop knee problems than others. Many jobs, sports and recreation activities, getting older, or having a disease such as osteoporosis or arthritis increase your chances of having problems with your knees.

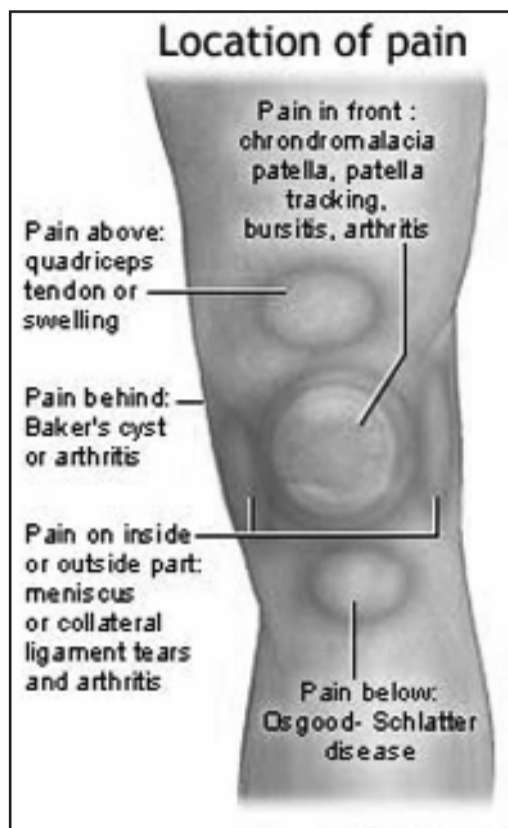
**Sudden (acute) injuries**

Injuries are the most common cause of knee problems. Sudden (acute) injuries may be caused by a direct blow to the knee or from abnormal twisting, bending the knee, or falling on the knee. Pain, bruising, or swelling may be severe and develop within minutes of the injury. Nerves or blood vessels may be pinched or damaged during the injury. The knee or lower leg may feel numb, weak, or cold; tingle; or look pale or blue. Acute injuries include:

Sprains, strains, or other injuries to the ligaments and tendons that connect and support the kneecap.

A tear in the rubbery cushions of the knee joint (meniscus).

Ligament tears. The medial collateral ligament



(MCL) is the most commonly injured ligament of the knee.

Breaks (fracture) of the kneecap, lower portion of the femur, or upper part of the tibia or fibula. Knee fractures are most commonly caused by abnormal force, such as a falling on the knee, a severe twisting motion, severe force that bends the knee, or when the knee forcefully hits an object.

Kneecap dislocation. This type of dislocation occurs more frequently in 13- to 18-year-old girls. Pieces of bone or tissue (loose bodies) from a fracture or dislocation may get caught in the joint and interfere with movement.

Knee joint dislocation. This is a rare injury that requires great force. It is a serious injury and requires immediate medical care.

**Overuse injuries**

Overuse injuries occur with repetitive activities or repeated or prolonged pressure on the knee. Activities such as stair climbing, bicycle riding, jogging, or jumping stress joints and other tissues and can lead to irritation and inflammation. Overuse injuries include:

Inflammation of the small sacs of fluid that cushion and lubricate the knee (bursitis).

Inflammation of the tendons (tendinitis) or small tears in the tendons (tendinosis).

Thickening or folding of the knee ligaments (Plica syndrome).

Pain in the front of the knee from overuse, injury, excess weight, or problems in the kneecap (patellofemoral pain syndrome).

Irritation and inflammation of the band of fibrous tissue that runs down the outside of the thigh (iliotibial band syndrome).

**Problems not directly related to an injury or overuse may occur in or around the knee.**

Osteoarthritis (degenerative joint disease) may cause knee pain that is worse in the morning and improves during the day. It often develops at the site of a previous injury. Other types of arthritis, such as rheumatoid arthritis, gout, and lupus, also can cause knee pain, swelling, and stiffness.

Osgood-Schlatter disease causes pain, swelling, and tenderness in the front of the knee below the kneecap. It is especially common in boys ages 11 to 15.

A popliteal (or Baker's) cyst causes swelling in the back of the knee.

Infection in the skin (cellulitis), joint (infectious arthritis), bone (osteomyelitis), or bursa (septic bursitis) can cause pain and decreased knee movement.

A problem elsewhere in the body, such as a pinched nerve or a problem in the hip, can sometimes cause knee pain.

Osteochondritis dissecans causes pain and decreased movement when a piece of bone or cartilage or both inside the knee joint loses blood supply and dies.

**Treatment**

Treatment for a knee problem or injury may include first aid measures, rest, bracing, physical therapy, medicine, and in some cases surgery. Treatment depends on the location, type, and severity of the injury as well as your age, health condition, and activity level (such as work, sports, or hobbies).

Review the Emergencies and Check Your Symptoms sections to determine if and when you need to see a doctor.

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## How, When Child Develops

## Autism May Determine Outcomes

Children with autism whose social and communications skills regress around age 3 tend to have more severe autism than children who show signs of the neurodevelopmental disorder at younger ages, new research finds.

Autism spectrum disorders are marked by delays or disruptions in social, language and communications skills, and restricted or repetitive behaviors or interests. Increasingly, doctors are coming to understand that there are several subtypes of the disorder, explained senior study author Dr. Paul Law, director of the Interactive Autism Network at Kennedy Krieger Institute in Baltimore.

In the study, researchers used data from 2,720 parents of children aged 3 to 17 years who had been diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder. Children were placed in one of three groups, depending on how and when their autism symptoms started:

Regressive, in which children seemed to be developing generally normally or close to normally, but then experienced a sharp decline in skills before age 3. About 44 percent of the children were in this group.

Plateau, or the 17 percent of children who were not delayed or only mildly delayed until about age 2, at which point they gradually or abruptly stop developing.

No loss/no plateau, sometimes called early onset autism, in which subtle signs of autism show up at relatively younger ages, but children don't regress or plateau. About 39 percent of the children fell into this category.

The researchers found some notable differences between the groups. In children who regressed or plateaued, parents said they first became concerned about their child's development at about 17 months, compared to about 15 months for children who did not plateau or regress.

Children who regressed said their first word at about 14 months, compared to 20 months for children who

plateaued and 21 months for those with no loss/no plateau autism.

Another difference: Children who regressed took longer to potty train -- about 52 months, compared to about 48 months for other children with autism.

Over time, children who regressed tended to end up with more severe autism. They were at the greatest risk for not attaining conversational speech, and were more likely than the other groups to need educational support, such as a classroom aide. The more marked the regression, the more severe the autism later on, according to the study.

Autism with regression is much debated among researchers, with some estimates putting the prevalence at one-third to one-half of children with the disorder, with others saying as few as 15 percent of children experience regression.

Parents whose child has experienced regression should take heart, Law said, and remember that the statistics show trends, not how an individual child will do. "A lot of children with regression did well," Law said. "There is a lot of individual variation. This is by no means a very dire sentence."

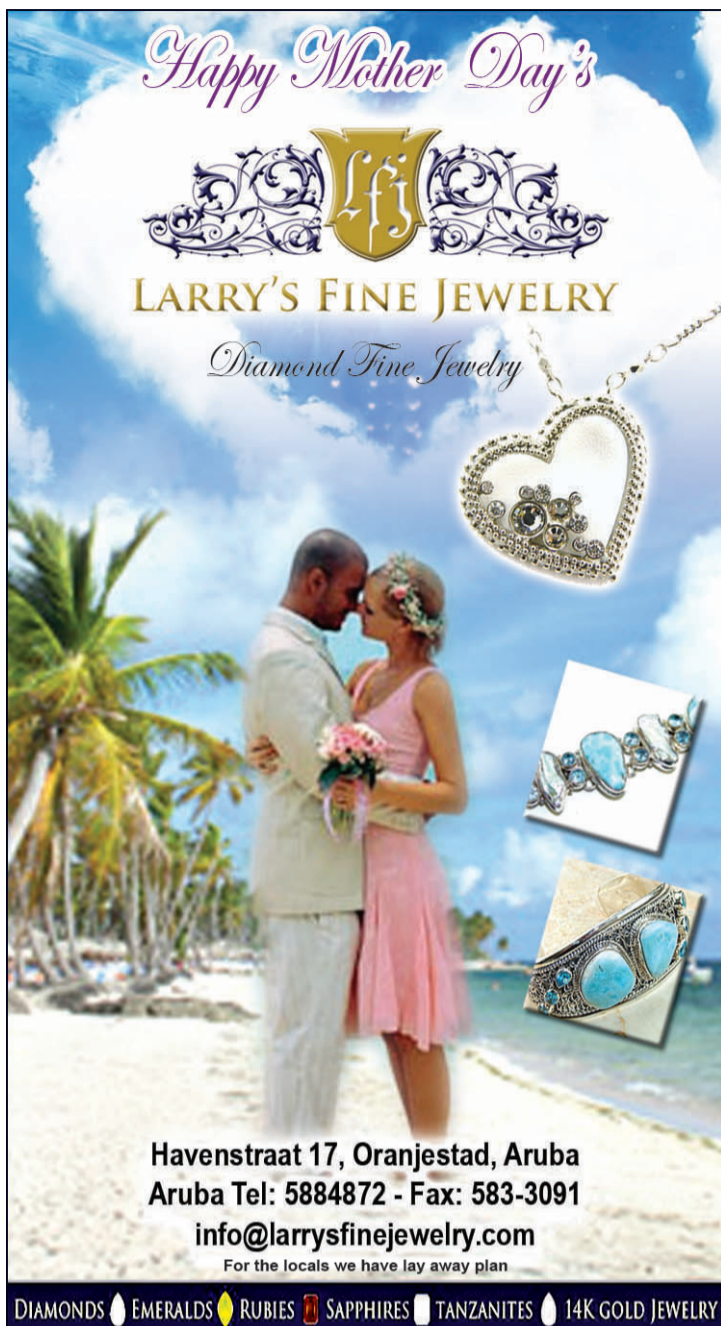
**TIP: I've Got a Toothache**

*If your tooth is throbbing in pain for a long period, or you feel shooting pain when you bite down, this could indicate a problem tooth or something more serious.*

The U.S. National Library of Medicine says a toothache could be caused by:

- \* Tooth decay and/or a cavity.
- \* An abscess.
- \* Sinusitis.
- \* An earache.
- \* An injury to the mouth or jaw.
- \* A heart attack, which may also be accompanied by pain in the neck or jaw.

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## La Cabana celebrates Earth Week with a series of events



## White House staff brings kids to work

WASHINGTON (AP) — Michelle Obama told a group of curious kids visiting the White House Thursday about her daughter Malia's most frequent question about Dad's job: What's he doing to help tigers?

Asked about her family's favorite animal, the first lady said they talk about tigers at least once a week, because Malia, 11, is concerned about what President Barack Obama is doing to save the endangered animals.

"He tells her he's working on it and there are a lot of people who are thinking about it," she said.

Mrs. Obama spent about an hour taking queries from children of executive office employees who visited the White House for Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day.

The children asked Mrs. Obama about life in the White House, her campaign against childhood obesity, the White House garden - and whether she could make school recesses longer. She dodged that last one.

One detail she shared: The playlist on her iPod includes songs by Stevie Wonder, Michael Jackson, Rihanna, Beyonce, Usher and Sting.

The kids cheered an appearance by the first family's dog, Bo, and leapt out of their seats to pet him.

The employees' children later got a tour of the White House that included seeing a demonstration by the Secret Service, making a healthy snack with the pastry chef, visiting the White House athletic center and learning about beekeeping and composting at the first lady's garden.

La Cabana Beach & Racquet Club held a Sponsor a Mile activity this week, to mark the opening of Earth Week celebrations.

A crew of the resort associates met under the big palapa on the beach, got armed with plastic bags and gloves, shovels, rakes, and buckets and set out to scour the areas around the resort covering the beach, to the north and south sides, between Amsterdam Manor and Paradise Beach Villas.

They concluded the cleaning action over fruits and orange-juice, counting a great number of bags filled with debris removed



from the site, mostly cigarette butts, they report, and also some plastic.

Pictured here the crew in action with resort Green and Health Team organiz-

ers Greta de Cuba and Ena Vrolijk.

The week festivities also included a tree planting ceremony and a tour of Chef Sony's herb garden.

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# Food tasting at Palm Beach Plaza food court: Simply delicious



Wednesday evening the Palm Beach Plaza held a food tasting event at its food court. Invited guests had the opportunity to sample the different delicacies the various restaurants and eateries have to offer.

At **Churromania**, they reinvented the way churros is served by adding delicious topping and fillings: sugar, cinnamon, chocolate (made of pure Venezuelan cocoa), dulce de leche, (a candy made of milk) caramel, condensed milk, strawberry and nutella (a hazelnut and chocolate mixture).

You can get servings of four, eight, 14 and 20 pieces. They also have the Big Mama, a big churro, with the topping of your choice. Prices vary between AWG 3.75 for a combo of four churros & soda and AWG 12.75 for the mega combo with 20 churros. For orders please call 586-7077.

Another interesting place is **Beef'es**, where you get typically Argentinean grilled meats, sausages and black pudding accompanied by the traditional rice, fried yucca, French fries, corn on the cob, broccoli, salads and sauces. For pickup call 586-8590.

**Chubby Panda** is a family owned business and concentrate on Taiwanese night market food and everyday Taiwanese food (delicacy snack also known as Xiao-Chi).

The most popular local dishes of Taiwan has made its way to the menu at Chubby Panda, such as the Crispy Chicken, an original and famous dish from Taiwan that taste like no other fried chicken on the island of Aruba with its speciality seasoning and crispy coating.

Chubby Panda offers a truly unique mixture of culinary tastes originating from mid to southern provinces of Mainland China. The Satay BBQ beef or Bao Bing (Ice with a variety of sweet toppings) are all authentic recipes originating from Taiwan that only Chubby Panda offers to Aruba.

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Come and taste the difference. Make every bite an experience of truly delicious and healthy food. On Aruba, the spirit of Sciue Sciue Italian finger food is as simple as 3 colors 3 prices. Choose from three different colored menus, and pay three different prices. It is the easiest way to enjoy Italian food. For orders, please call 586-0169.



**Beef'es**



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**American Burger** opened its doors to offer Arubans and visitors alike the good taste of burger. Enjoy the 100% certified Angus beef burger or classic 6oz. burger combo with fries and free soda refill for only US\$7. They also have the 4oz burger for the little ones. Taste the juicy chicken burger,

a delicious breaded chicken breast grilled to perfection. For the vegetarian, there is the vegetarian burger of the well-known brand Morning Star. All burgers all accompanied with French fries and can be served with peanut or cheese sauce, crispy bacon bits

"The milkshakes are glorious, made with quality ice cream, whipped cream and syrup, decorated with cherries," comments co-partner Alice Dupatrocinio. "If you are not in the mood for milkshakes, try our smoothies or coffee."

American Burger is open Mondays thru Saturdays from noon to 10 p.m. and on Sundays between 5 and 10 p.m.

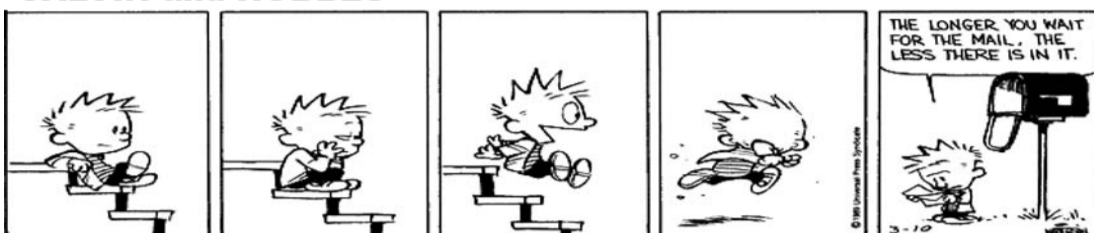
# CAR TOONS



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### ACROSS

1. Muffler
6. Melt
10. Lasso
14. Wall section
15. Hoarfrost
16. Billfold items
17. Scent
18. Matinee
19. Vegetarian's no-no
20. Refurbish
22. Hypnotic state
24. Completed
25. Wander aimlessly
26. Actress Jean
29. Like some poetry
30. Sinful
31. Tilt
33. Suit material
37. Showed the way
38. "From the"
40. Paddle
41. Not stale
43. Reverberate
44. Lichen
45. Veranda
47. Twist violently
49. Partial payment
52. Bosc, e.g.
53. Very happy
54. "Bill, the Sailor"
58. Boxing match
59. Redact
61. Exclusive story
62. Church area
63. Fixed routine

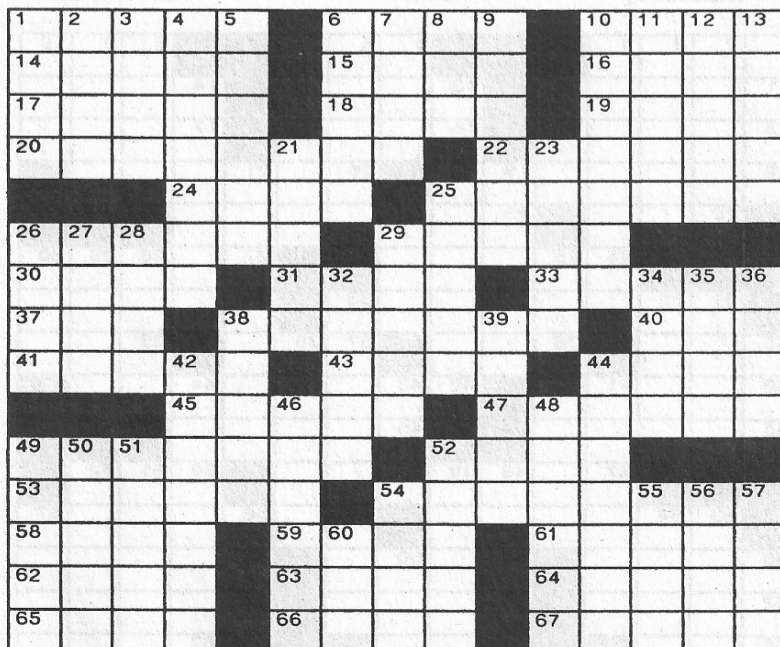
### DOWN

1. Mast
2. Be concerned
3. Presently
4. Make over
5. Tutti-frutti, e.g.
6. Hackneyed
7. Conceal
8. I love: Latin
9. Rolling movement
10. "A Fine"
11. Hours (long time): 2 wds.
12. — and quiet

13. Organic compound
21. Corner
23. Elevate
25. Talking bird
26. Ego
27. Perpetually
28. — -a-wee
29. European tree
32. Build
34. Tuber
35. Long cut
36. Gaelic
38. "— Were the Days"
39. Cringe
42. Like a Dalmatian
44. Supernatural event
46. Equestrians

48. Kidnapper's demand
49. Disqualify
50. Wed secretly
51. Short stop
52. Church plate
54. Nibble
55. Wind about
56. Tennis score
57. Fencing weapon
60. Forest creature

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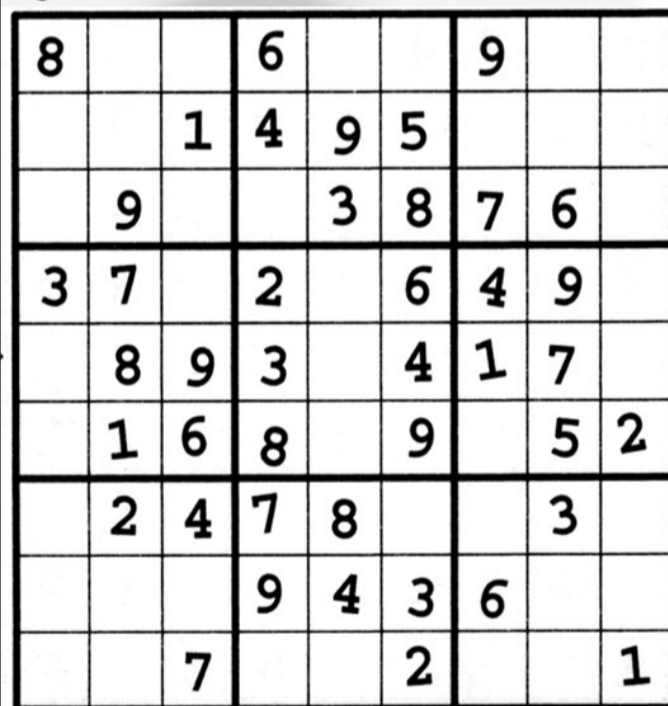
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9	7	1	5	8	6	3	2	4
8	6	4	9	1	2	5	7	3
4	9	7	8	6	1	2	3	5
5	8	2	5	6	4	1	9	7
3	1	6	7	2	9	8	4	5

Complete the grid so that every row and every column contains the numbers 1 through 9  
 A number is Never repeated in a row or column.  
 In addition every rectangle must contain the numbers 1 through 9

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## UBS tax evader gets 10-month prison term

MIAMI, Florida (AP) — A former watchmaker who claimed his parents' Holocaust experience drove him to hide his wealth overseas has been sentenced to 10 months in prison after pleading guilty to tax charges.

A federal judge imposed the sentence Friday on 65-year-old Jack Barouh in the latest case arising from the U.S. investigation into tax evasion at Swiss bank UBS AG. The sen-

tence is half what prosecutors originally sought.

The judge gave Barouh credit for cooperating in the ongoing UBS probe. But he also mentioned Barouh's claim that many children of Holocaust survivors compulsively seek to hide nest eggs in case similar events happen again.

Barouh founded luxury brand Michele Watches, which sold for \$50 million in 2004.

## US auto fleet sales on the rise

DEARBORN, Michigan (AP) — U.S. auto sales to fleets surged 47 percent in the first quarter compared to last year, an early sign of economic improvement as governments, construction businesses and rental-car companies began buying again.

Automakers are expecting fleet sales to continue to climb. Ford Motor Co.'s Americas President Mark Fields said Thursday the company is expecting further increases to

daily-rental and commercial fleets for the rest of this year as the economy improves, although it believes government sales will level off.

Fields discussed the industry's first-quarter fleet sales jump at an event at Ford's Dearborn headquarters touting the automaker's fleet vehicles, including a new police car due out next year. Ford's fleet sales soared 80 percent in the first quarter over the same quarter a year ago

## Greece asks for EU-IMF bailout

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Unable to cope with exorbitant borrowing costs, Greece yesterday triggered an emergency aid plan to draw cash from other countries that use the euro and the International Monetary Fund and ease a debt crisis that has weighed on the shared currency.

The package has enough money to keep Greece from defaulting on its massive debts any time soon. But Athens faces years of painful cutbacks, and its long-term finances — as well as whether its troubles will infect other indebted EU members and further harm the euro currency — are still being questioned.

The three-year plan agreed

in Brussels recently will provide Greece with loans from other countries using the euro and the IMF. Eurozone members will contribute euro30 billion (\$40 billion) at interest rates of about 5 percent, while the IMF will chip in about euro10 billion in 2010. Exact figures for the following years have not yet been made public.

The plan must be reviewed by the European Union executive and the European Central Bank, and needs approval by all 15 other eurozone countries.

The market situation "threatens to deconstruct, not only the sacrifices of the Greek people, but also the smooth course of the economy itself," Prime Minister George Papan-

dreou said, speaking from the remote Aegean island of Kastelorizo as he announced his decision to call for the aid.

Papandreou said his center-left government, which came to power in October elections and has blamed the previous administration for mismanaging the economy and fudging Greece's statistics, "inherited a ship that was ready to sink. A country bereft of prestige and credibility, which had even lost the respect of its friends and partners."

The current market situation now made it "a national and pressing necessity for us to formally ask our partners for the activation of the support mechanism," he said.

## Credit rating execs: Pressure led to high ratings

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former credit rating industry executives told a Senate panel yesterday that competitive pressures and poor internal communications led their analysts to award safe ratings to risky investments.

The highly rated investments turned out to be toxic, contributing to the financial crisis.

The chairman of a panel investigating the industry proposed yesterday that Congress should address a conflict of interest that arises from credit rating agencies being paid by the same banks whose bonds they rate.

"It's like one of the parties in court paying the judge's salary," said Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich. He said the financial regulatory overhaul the Senate will take up Monday should include a solution to that prob-

lem.

Levin was chairing a hearing of the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, which has been investigating the causes of the financial crisis.

He said credit rating agencies gave high ratings to risky investments before the financial crisis in part because they were competing for business from the banks.

Frank Raiter, a former managing director for Standard & Poor's, said there was a "disconnect" between senior managers and the analytical managers responsible for assigning bond ratings. He said that, along with weak government regulation, led agencies to award high ratings to risky investments.

Raiter said management placed increasing pressure on analysts to earn fees by attract-

ing business from banks. He said many former colleagues had quit after clashing with management.

When analysts "show the benefits of higher-quality rating criteria, and they come back and say, 'Revenues will go down,' you either (drop the issue and) continue to work there, or you quit," said former Standard & Poor managing director Frank Raiter.

Raiter also said weak government regulation led agencies to award high ratings to risky investments.

The Securities and Exchange Commission is prohibited by law from overseeing credit rating agencies. The agencies have escaped legal liability by claiming their ratings are protected by the First Amendment right to free speech.

## New home sales, orders for most durable goods rise

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sales of new homes took the biggest monthly jump in 47 years in March, while orders for most large manufactured products rose by the largest amount since the recession started.

While factories are benefiting from a sharp increase in orders from U.S. and foreign businesses, the fuel for new home sales is coming from a less sustainable source: government subsidies.

Some analysts predict demand for homes will fall again over the summer, preventing the beleaguered sector from adding much to the economic recovery.

The Commerce Department

said yesterday that new home sales skyrocketed 27 percent in March, bouncing off the February's record low. The figure blew past expectations as better weather and government incentives boosted sales.

New orders for durable goods — those expected to last at least three years — fell by 1.3 percent, the government said. But excluding demand for aircraft and other transportation goods, orders surged 2.8 percent, much more than analysts had projected.

The report was evidence that businesses are spending more on new equipment in anticipation of a stronger economy.

"Firms are finally putting their money where their mouths are and betting on a rebound," Diane Swonk, chief economist at Mesirow Financial, wrote in a note to clients.

### YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

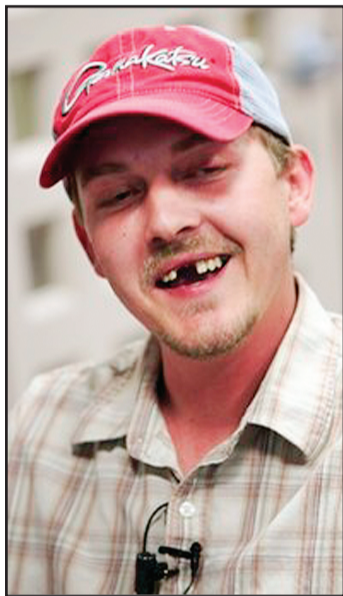
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## Mo. clerk says he'll use \$258M jackpot on bills



JEFFERSON CITY, Missouri (AP) — A Missouri man who won a \$258 million Powerball jackpot and plans to use some of the money to pay bills, replace his two missing front teeth and take his children to Disney World said he hasn't decided yet if he'll quit his job at the convenience store where he bought the winning ticket.

Chris Shaw — a 29-year-old tattooed father of three who was raised by his grandparents in rural southern Missouri — came forward Thursday as the winner of the 10th-largest Powerball jackpot ever. Shaw said he had just \$28.96 in his bank account and recently bought a 1998 Ford Ranger from a friend who agreed to let him pay off the

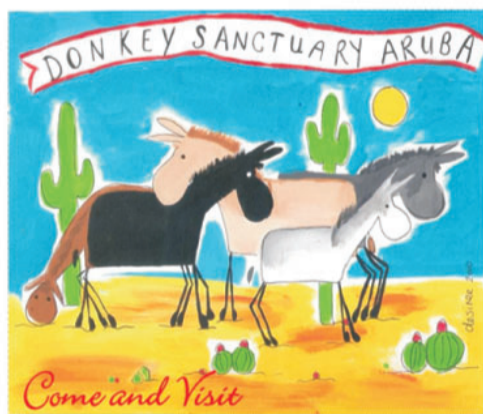
\$1,000 price \$100 at a time. Now, he said, he no longer has to worry about how he'll pay his friend — or his utility bills.

"We didn't come from money. For us it's just going to be a huge relief to know I'm going to be able to pay my electric bill, my gas bill," Shaw told the Associated Press. "It's like a weight lifted. I had bills at home I didn't know how they were going to be paid."

Shaw said he bought the \$5 ticket Wednesday at the Break Time convenience store where he works in Marshall, a central Missouri town about 80 miles east of Kansas City. He accepted his ceremonial check at the Missouri Lottery headquarters in Jefferson City wearing a tan and red plaid shirt, a red hat and a huge grin — minus two front teeth he says he lost because he didn't take care of them but can now afford to have replaced.

"I'm just a regular guy working paycheck to paycheck ... well not any more," he said.

Shaw said he needed a few days to decide whether he will keep his minimum-wage job at the store where he has worked for just three weeks. He also plans to seek advice "from people who know about money" about whether to take the jackpot in 30 payments over 29 years or the lump-sum amount of \$124,875,122.



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## Linda's Pancakes and Pizza place, delicious meals for breakfast, lunch and dinner

Linda's Pancake and Pizza place, located at Palm Beach 6D, Noord (on the right side of Valero gas station) offers patrons the most delicious Dutch pancakes and pizza's with a Dutch twist.

Open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., and only five minutes away from the high-rise resorts, Linda's is the perfect eatery for the whole family.

Seeing the popularity of this quaint small eatery, THE MORNING NEWS decided it was time to find out just how good Linda's really is, by sending out a team of taste testers.

Olgita, joined by her two kids ordered a little of everything while the kids roamed around freely, enjoying the afternoon.

The meal started out with Linda's original plain – to die for – Dutch pancakes, followed by pizza, where instead of using mozzarella Linda has created a unique twist to the traditional Italian dish by using Dutch Gouda cheese. Adding a local favorite which could not stay off the table they also sampled the delicious saté (chicken, pork or beef on a wooden skewer) with peanut sauce (Indonesian influence on local food). For the finish the team (adults only) had one cup of Linda's delicious Espresso.

The team had this to say: "Superb! There are no words to describe just how delicious the pancakes are and the pizza is just mmm... good. The saté... out of this world!"

Besides the original plain pancake, Linda's specialty is pancakes with walnuts, Brie and honey; pancakes with banana and mango or a Dutch favorite: pancake with apple and bacon.

All their pizzas are made with Dutch Gouda cheese and different toppings making it richer in taste.

When it comes to saté, one has to say that the secret is in the sauce. Not everybody can make that perfect peanut sauce, but Linda, being an expert in the kitchen has cooked up one of the finest peanut sauces on the island, making this original Indonesian dish extra special.

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Olgita, Ilhan and Iyanla enjoying a scrumptious meal



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cake mix, gluten free," Linda stated to THE MORNING NEWS team.

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## Ex-general: Cubans involved in Chavez's military



CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — A former Venezuelan army general yesterday denounced what he called the widespread involvement of Cuban troops in President Hugo Chavez's military.

Former Brig. Gen. Antonio Rivero, who used to head the government's emergency management agency, said his decision to retire from the army this month was motivated mainly by "the presence and meddling of Cuban soldiers" in Venezuela's armed forces.

Cubans are now involved in training troops, including courses for snipers, and are also playing a role in intelligence, weapons, communications and other areas. There was no immediate reaction from Chavez's government.

Rivero's televised remarks add to claims by government critics that Cuban advisers and operatives hold various positions in the government and military.

Opposition politician Julio Borges demanded earlier this month that the government provide information about Cubans working for the government, saying "never be-

fore in our history have we allowed citizens of another country to assume key posts associated with national security."

Borges said without providing details that Cuban advisers are now working at high levels in ports administration, telecommunications, immigration, the police, the electrical sector and the key oil industry.

As director of the emergency management agency, Rivero used to be the voice of the government in responding to disasters including plane crashes and floods. He was replaced in that post in 2008 after five years and returned to his army duties.

Rivero said in his infantry division there were "classes like the one for snipers" where Cuban soldiers and personnel provided training.

He said Cubans were also involved in teaching military doctrine at the command level, and are also in divisions like military engineering. Cubans, he said, are now placed "at a high level in vital areas of national security."

Rivero also denounced the "politicization" of the military, including the slogan soldiers now repeat when saluting: "Socialist homeland or death!" Among other complaints, he condemned Chavez's enlistment of supporters in a growing civilian militia and said it's improper for the president, a civilian, to wear a military uniform as Chavez often does.

Chavez, a former paratroop commander, has made Cuba his closest ally since he took office in 1999. He often visits Fidel Castro, calling him a mentor, and has praised Cuba as a "revolutionary democracy."

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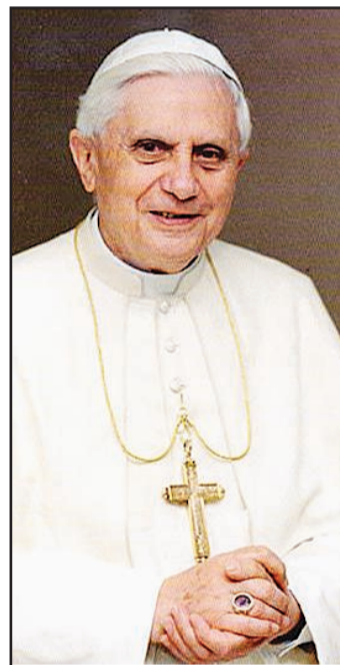
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## Colombia cardinal defends church's abuse policies

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — A senior cardinal defended the Roman Catholic Church's practice of frequently not reporting sexual abusive priests to the police, saying Thursday it would have been like testifying against a family member at trial.

Colombian Cardinal Dario Castrillon Hoyos also said in a radio interview that Pope Benedict XVI, formerly Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, was involved in a 2001 decision to praise a French bishop for shielding a priest who was convicted of raping minors.

"The law in nations with a well-developed judiciary does not force anyone to testify against a child, a father, against other people close to the suspect," Castrillon told RCN radio. "Why would they ask that of the church? That's the



injustice. It's not about defending a pedophile, it's about defending the dignity and the human rights of a person, even

the worst of criminals."

While the church stands by "those who truly were victims (of sexual abuse)," he added, "John Paul II, that holy pope, was not wrong when he defended his priests so that they were not, due to economic reasons, treated like criminal pedophiles without due process."

His comments came just days after the Vatican posted on its website guidelines telling bishops they should report abusive priests to police if civil laws require it. The Vatican has claimed that was long its policy, though it was never written before explicitly.

The Vatican posted the guidelines as a response to mounting criticism that it mandated a culture of secrecy that instructed bishops to keep abuse quiet, letting it fester unchecked for decades.

## Chilean priest allegedly abused 5 young men

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) — A Chilean prosecutor on Thursday announced a criminal investigation of a popular retired priest accused of sexually abusing five young men in his parish residence.

The allegations were lodged late last year and confirmed by the archbishop of Santiago only this week, as Chile's Roman Catholic leadership appealed publicly for forgiveness for alleged abuses involving 20 clergy members. Five of them have been convicted and 15 others are under investigation.

Prosecutor Javier Armendariz on Thursday announced a criminal investigation of the allegations against retired priest Fernando Karadima.

A church probe also is under way. Archbishop Francisco Javier Errazuriz said "it's unthinkable that the claims are true" but they have to be treated seriously anyway.

The accusations were first reported this week by Chile's La Tercera newspaper, which said a former altar boy accused Karadima of sexually abusing him in his residence at the Sacred Heart of Jesus church in the capital's elegant Providencia neighborhood. The man, now a doctor, said the abuse started when he was a child and continued for nearly 20 years.

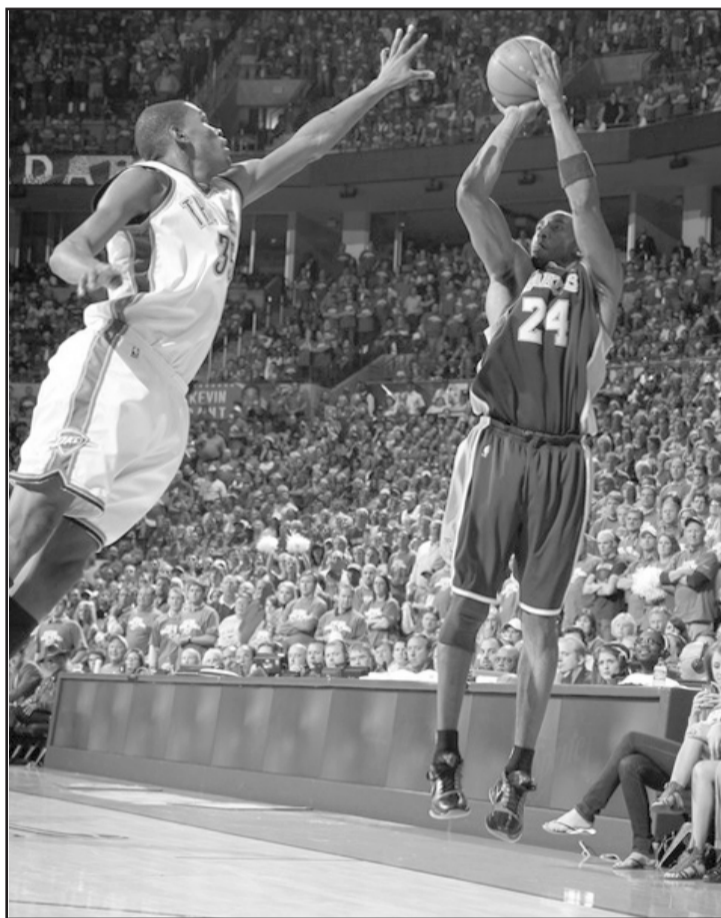
Four other men, all active participants in the parish, then revealed similar experiences, the doctor's lawyer said.

Karadima, now 80, is retired and still lives in the residence. He is well respected within Chile's church, where he trained other priests who now are bishops.





## Durant's surge lifts Thunder in home playoff debut



Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers shoots against Kevin Durant #35 the Oklahoma City Thunder in Game Three

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—Scuffling through a rough shooting night, Kevin Durant (notes) wanted to do anything he could to keep the Oklahoma City Thunder from falling hopelessly behind the

Los Angeles Lakers.

So, why not take on the task of defending Kobe Bryant?

Durant had 29 points and 19 rebounds, and snapped out of a shooting funk while guarding Bryant to lead the de-

cisive run, lifting the Thunder to a 101-96 victory in Game 3 on Thursday night in the first playoff game in Oklahoma City.

"Scoring's a big part of my game. It kind of overshadows the other parts of my game," said Durant, who at 21 became the youngest player to lead the NBA in scoring. "But if I continue to play hard on both ends, it's going to come around for me. I was able to get free and make a couple shots, and that's what got us going."

Durant and Russell Westbrook scored 22 of the final 23 for the Thunder, including every point during a 10-2 surge that put Oklahoma City ahead to stay.

The top-seeded Lakers got back within 98-96 on Bryant's driving layup with 13.5 seconds left, but the Thunder closed it out from the foul line to pull within 2-1 in the seven-game series.

Game 4 is tonight in Oklahoma City.

Durant celebrated by thumping his chest and popping his jersey to show off the "Thunder" printed on the front while Westbrook, who scored 27 points, flapped his arms to egg on the screaming crowd.

"It feels good. Playing against the reigning champs makes it even better. But we have a long ways to go," said Durant, who missed his first seven shots and 15 of his first 19. "It does feel good to get our first win. It feels even better to bring the first win in the playoffs here to Oklahoma City. That's what I'm most excited about."

Bryant scored 24 points to surpass Jerry West's franchise record for playoff scoring, and Pau Gasol had 17 points and 15 rebounds for Los Angeles.

But when it came down to crunch time, Bryant couldn't deliver as he did in scoring 15 fourth-quarter points to seal the Lakers' 95-92 victory in Game 2. He went 2 for 10 in the final 12 minutes, with Durant stopping between free throws at one point to motion to the bench that he wanted to guard the former MVP.

"It was a matchup that caught me by surprise," said Bryant, who's nearly half a foot shorter than Durant. "I think he did a great job."

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## On the road to 2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa

# The days are nearing



**KIMBERLEY, SOUTH AFRICA** - Fans celebrate the 50 Day Countdown to the start of the FIFA 2010 World Cup soccer tournament on April 21, 2010 in Kimberley, South Africa.

## Blatter: 2010 will be a success

With 47 days to go until the 2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa™, FIFA President Joseph S. Blatter invited reporters from around the world to Home of FIFA in Zurich for a news conference, which was simultaneously broadcast via interactive video conferencing to Johannesburg in South Africa. Accompanied by FIFA General Secretary Jerome Valcke, the FIFA President discussed various topics relating to the first world finals in

Africa.

FIFA President Joseph S. Blatter:

On the 2010 FIFA World Cup in South Africa

When I became president in 1998, my greatest goal was to see the FIFA World Cup played in Africa. It would never have been possible without our rotation policy. It's taken a long time, but ultimately it means justice for Africa, and for everything Africa has done for football in the past. This FIFA

World Cup will be a success.

However, no-one can guarantee that everything will be perfect. We also want the World Cup to leave a lasting legacy in Africa. Our priority is the fight against poverty, illiteracy, and health care problems, which we're tackling with our "Football for Hope" initiative, the "20 Centres for 2010" which we're constructing in Africa, and the "1GOAL: education for all" campaign.



**KIMBERLEY, SOUTH AFRICA** - (L-R) Jay-Jay Okocha, President Jacob Zuma and Doctor Khumalo attend celebrations marking the 50 Day Countdown to the start of the FIFA 2010 World Cup soccer tournament on April 21, 2010 in Kimberley, South Africa.

## Colombian bling to shine at World Cup finals

**BUCARAMANGA, Colombia** - Lionel Messi or Cristiano Ronaldo could finish the World Cup wearing a Colombian white gold ring as the most valuable player in South Africa.

Although Colombia did not qualify for the finals its world famous emeralds will be on show after a local jeweller acquired the rights to make 2,010 official rings for the tournament.

Rings encrusted with the green gems found in the mountains of the Andean country have been sanctioned by soccer's world governing body FIFA and will be on sale in South Africa.

The rings will cost from \$2,500 to \$250,000 each and the design features soccer balls, stadiums and the flags of the 32 participating countries in the month-long extravaganza.

In a private house turned workshop in Bucaramanga, Enrique Vasquez and his colleagues in this and other mini-factories in the northern Colombian city are working hard to get all the rings made before the tournament starts on June 11.

He spends his days placing tiny emeralds in the platinum, gold and silver rings that he and 269 other artisans are making for the first World Cup to be hosted in Africa.

It is crunch time but he cannot rush the job.

Looking through a pair of magnified glasses, he uses special tweezers to slowly place one emerald after another on a ring topped with a bulky diamond-encrusted soccer ball.

The mastermind of the operation is 40-year-old Carlos Sotelo, who got the idea from the rings received by teams that win the U.S. Superbowl and basketball championships.

"I wanted to make a special ring, a super ring, for FIFA," he told Reuters. Colombia, rich in gold and emeralds, has a strong tradition of jewellery-making.

### PLATINUM RINGS

This was part of the argument he made on various trips to FIFA headquarters in Switzerland over the last four years to convince World Cup officials to sanction his rings.

He declined to say how much he paid for the rights.

Although Colombia will not be at the tournament, which is held every four years, pop star Shakira is singing the official song and Juanes, another Colombian crooner, will participate in the opening concert to

be staged in Johannesburg.

The jewellery will include seven platinum rings to be sold for \$250,000 apiece, each encrusted with 220 emeralds. Thirty three white gold rings are being made for \$70,000 per piece, each with 36 emeralds and an array of South African diamonds.

There will also be 1,970 rings made of gold and silver which will be sold for \$2,500 each. Each ring in this set will feature four emeralds.

"If the market is strong enough we will do a second and third collection," Sotelo said.

One of the seven platinum rings will be donated to FIFA and a gold ring will be given to UNICEF, in recognition of the U.N. agency's work on behalf of disadvantaged children.

Another gold ring will be presented to the player voted the tournament's most valuable with Argentina's Messi and Portugal's Ronaldo among the players who could claim the prize.

At future World Cups local jeweller Sotelo wants the rings to be distributed to members of the winning team.

The work that goes into each ring is more painstaking than it is difficult, goldsmith Vasquez said.

"Our experience in jewellery-making over the years makes for a world-class product. But there are a lot of parameters to meet," he added, looking back at the ring on his work bench and placing another emerald in position.

### DID U KNOW?

**Sir Bobby Charlton scored a record total of 49 goals for England in just over 100 appearances and was part of the side that won the FIFA World Cup™ in 1966.**

**The Manchester United legend netted four goals in total during two FIFA World Cups, including a brace against Portugal on home soil in the year England were victorious overall.**

**Charlton, a survivor of the Munich air disaster in February 1958, represented his country on no fewer than 106 occasions and also scored 249 times in 758 appearances for the Red Devils.**

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## Ochoa to play 1 more tournament before retiring

MEXICO CITY (AP)—A tearful Lorena Ochoa said she will play one more tournament before she retires, happy to end her career at the top of her game and looking forward to having children.

The 28-year-old Mexican star said Friday she will compete in the Tres Marias Championships next week in Morelia, Mexico. She also plans to annually play in the LPGA's Lorena Ochoa Invitational each November in Guadalajara, and left the door slightly open for competing in a few other select tournaments.

The No. 1 player in women's golf confirmed on her website Tuesday she is leaving the game.

"I wanted to go out when I was on top, and I know this is the right time to leave," Ochoa said when explaining her decision at a news conference.

In a 12-minute speech, a teary-eyed Ochoa repeatedly choked up and had to stop on a number of occasions to compose herself.



**A tearful Lorena Ochoa, 28, during a news conference in Mexico City**

"There are so many things that I will miss and this has not been an easy decision to make," Ochoa said. "But this is my moment and I dreamed of it this way."

Ochoa got married in December and said she plans to have children, but she is not currently pregnant.

Her announcement Friday comes three years to the day she achieved the No. 1 ranking, replacing Annika Soren-

stam. She leaves the tour with 27 victories, two major titles and nearly \$15 million in earnings.

"When I started to play golf 23 years ago, I had the dream to become the best player in the world, to win many tournaments," she said, "and this is why now is the best time to leave, full of great memories that I am going to share with my family for the rest of my life."

Ochoa won her first major in the 2007 Women's British Open at St. Andrews and followed up with another at the 2008 Kraft Nabisco Championship.

She joined only three players who have won four consecutive scheduled events in 2008. Last year, Ochoa won her fourth consecutive LPGA Tour player of the year award.

However, she joined the LPGA Tour in 2003 after playing college golf at Arizona, meaning she falls short of the 10-year playing requirement to be eligible for the Hall of Fame.

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